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Application No.: 10/019,284

Examiner: Slobodyansky

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Attorney Ref. No.: US-1380

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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment

**Commissioner for Patents** P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the period for response to the Office Action dated October 6, 2003, which set a three-

month shortened statutory period for reply, one month(s) to February 6, 2004.

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The period for response has previously been extended to

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Attached please find a Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038) authorizing payment of the fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) of \$110.00 for this Petition.

Respectfully submitted,

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Date: February 5, 2004